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Steel Production
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) the comparative details of the production capacity and actual production of iron ore and steel in the country during each of the last three years and the current year;
(b) the details of iron ore and steel imported and exported during the said period, country-wise;
(c) whether there has been significant increase or decrease in the import and export of iron ore and steel during the said period, if so, the details thereof; and
(d) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to enhance steel production and export?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI VISHNU DEO SAI)

(a) Details of the capacity and production of crude steel and production of iron ore in the country during the last three year and current year are as under:

(in million tonnes)

Year	Crude Steel Capacity	Crude Steel Production	Iron Ore Production
2013-14	102.26	81.69	152.18
2014-15	109.85	88.98	128.91
2015-16	121.97	89.79	155.59
April-Sept, 2016*	121.97	47.98	84.09

Source: JPC/IBM, * provisional.

(b) The details of import and export of total finished steel and iron ore during the last three year and the current year, country-wise are at Annexure.

(c) Details of import and export of total finished steel and iron ore in the country during the last three year and current year are shown in table:
(in million tonnes)

Year	Total Finished Steel		Iron Ore	
	Import	Export	Import	Export
2013-14	5.45	5.98	0.367	16.30
2014-15	9.32	5.59	12.09	7.30
2015-16	11.71	4.08	7.09	5.32
2016-17@	3.59*	3.03*	1.591 #	7.583 #

(@ provisional, * April- Sept., 2016, # April-Aug., 2016)

The above data on import and export of total finished steel indicates a significant rise in imports and decline in exports during the last three years whereas in case of iron ore, it indicates a decline in exports but fluctuation trends in import of iron ore.

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(d) The following are the steps taken by the Government to enhance steel production and export:

i) The Government has launched the 'Make-in-India' initiative to focus on manufacturing and infrastructure, which facilitates promoting the demand and consumption of steel in the country.
ii) The public sector enterprises in the steel sector have undertaken expansion and modernization of their steel plants to increase production of steel.
iii) To ensure that only quality steel is produced and imported, Government has notified Steel and Steel Product (Quality Control) Orders dated 12.03.2012 and 04.12.2015.
iv) Government has notified Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Amendment Act, 2015 to streamline grant of Mining Leases in order to maintain sufficient availability of raw materials for the various sectors including steel sector.

v) To provide level playing field to the domestic steel producers, Government has imposed Minimum Import Price (MIP) on 173 steel products.

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